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The Passage of Time

"Time, that dimension of the world which we measure in terms of before and after."

BERGSON

Time is infinite . . . perpetual . . . eternal. Chronologists have standardized it with clocks, history books, calendars, and time zones; but still its essence cannot be fully conceived by the human mind. Philosophers, grasping for an explanation, have given us several definitions. A nostalgic songwriter said, "Turn Back the Hands of Time." Poets expound upon the immensity of the universe, the end of the world, and the infinity of the stars.

Yet, while we are receptive to the philosopher's theory and sensitive to the poet's dream, we tend to think of time in relation to our own lives and the lives of those we love. What sister, wife, daughter, or mother doesn't remember the day when the war ended in Korea? When our parents laughingly recall the first automobiles or the "Roaring Twenties," we are probably not as impressed as we would be if they were discussing the first 3-D movies, the hydrogen bomb, the first jet to fly around the world, or any of the other spectacular events that have taken place during our lifetime.

What will future generations remember about the year 1954-55? Perhaps scientists will talk about the imperfections of color television. People will marvel at the scientific synthesis of food without the aid of sunlight. Maybe historians will be debating about the famous Dixon-Yates Conferences. Perhaps this year may be considered a turning point in the Formosan situation. Whatever they will be saying, those dim faces of tomorrow, let us hope that their inspiration comes from the past, just as our hope is placed in the future.

In the light of the preceding paragraphs, the Cupola of 1955 introduces its theme, the passage of time. To represent time we have chosen a familiar, everyday object, the clock.

Since the world began, man has constantly improved his means of telling time. The first method was probably to observe the sun and the stars. In Egypt, the obelisk was used to tell the time of day. This was based on the simple principle of a perpendicular casting a shadow in the sun's rays. Similar to the obelisk, the sundial was widely used in Europe. The hourglass probably originated in medieval times, but it wasn't until the

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MR. AND MRS. GEORGE W. LLOYD

To the Class of 1955:

I am writing this on one of those rare February days which spring seems sometimes to steal from winter. There is a magic feeling in the bright air, and one can almost hear the stir of growing things beneath the dark earth and on bare branches. This happy expectancy makes me think of you—eager now to be through with school and on to college. Indeed, were it not so, we should have failed you, for all the effort of the past four years should bring us to your graduation on tiptoe with eagerness to put to the test what you have learned here.

You have been a class with a gay quality of initiative and enthusiasm, which has made you leaders from the start. The world is waiting for those qualities of leadership—ability to get things done, to inspire others, to keep a brave heart in the face of discouragement, to stand for an ideal even when you must needs stand alone.

Two thoughts about leadership I should like to couple with my farewell to you. One you have often heard me quote comes from John Buchan. "The test of leadership is not to put greatness into humanity but to elicit it, for the greatness is already there."

For the second we turn to the greatest Leader the world has ever known, One who imparts a sense of mission which surmounts all difficulties, discouragements, and loneliness. He gives us the most satisfying definition of enduring leadership: "Whosoever would be greatest among you, shall be the servant of all."

Oliver Lloyd.

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Passage of Time (Continued)

sixteenth century that the clock came into use. The clock itself, as it was gradually improved, acquired various sizes and shapes. Today we have a wide assortment of timepieces for multifold uses.

The theme of the yearbook is carried throughout the book on the division pages. Each clock is symbolic of a facet of life at Mount Vernon. The Great Grandfather Clock represents to us the maturity and achievements which we hope will come with age. The Mickey Mouse watch is illustrative of the fresh, gay spirit of the underclassmen. To represent government, we have chosen stately Big Ben, who has been the solemn witness to so many momentous events in government. Because the busy Cuckoo Clock never stops to rest, it has been selected to record the hours that were spent in extra-curricular activities. What is more typical of athletics than a stopwatch? It recalls the last minutes of an exciting basketball game, the shrill cries of the spectators, or a crisp afternoon of hockey in the fall.

We hope that this yearbook will help you, in the years to come, to relive a wonderful year at Mount Vernon—the year 1954-55.



Miss Patricia Fulton

We want to thank you, Miss Fulton, our teacher, advisor, and friend. Your constant interest in us is deeply appreciated.

Dedication

Steeped in tradition, Mount Vernon is a school with an interesting past. The story that the school tells is one which we love to hear and cannot forget.

We would like now to think about the future. Using the past for a foundation, we must build upon that foundation toward a better tomorrow. Cupola of 1955 is dedicated, then, to the future of Mount Vernon.

"Lend me the stone strength of the past, and I will lend you the wings of the future, for I have them." JEFFERS

Faculty and Staff

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MISS DOROTHY WILLIAMSON	Director of Admissions
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MISS MARY SPENCE	Assistant to the Headmistress
MISS DOROTHY YENNIE	English, Carousel
MISS JOLYN DAVIDSON	English, Typewriting, Cellophane
MRS. FRANCIS BARNHART	Speech, English, Prep Players
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MRS. CHESTER LAMPERT	Mathematics
MRS. GIFFORD ORWEN	Art
MRS. JAMES TRUITT	Sculpture
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MRS. OLIVE SWEENEY	Switchboard Operator



Seated, left to right: Miss Spence, Mrs. Botts, Mrs. VanKirk, Mrs. Strock, Miss Davidson, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Lloyd, Mrs. Lowry, Mrs. Long, Mlle. Bounous, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Massey, Mrs. Silcox. *Standing, left to right:* Miss Fulton, Miss Lester, Mrs. Barnhart, Miss Mills, Mrs. Wood, Miss Gutheim, Miss Yennie, Srta. Carroll.

Faculty

*"All are architects of fate,
Working in these walls of time"*

LONGFELLOW

Because it is the faculty who work harder than any of us and get no verbal appreciation, we want to thank them now for everything they've done; for giving us an encouraging push when we would have thrown our books out the

window, for standing by us when things went wrong, for coming to our games, for laughing with us and tolerating our many fads, for being our friends, and for giving us those many intangibles that textbooks cannot give.

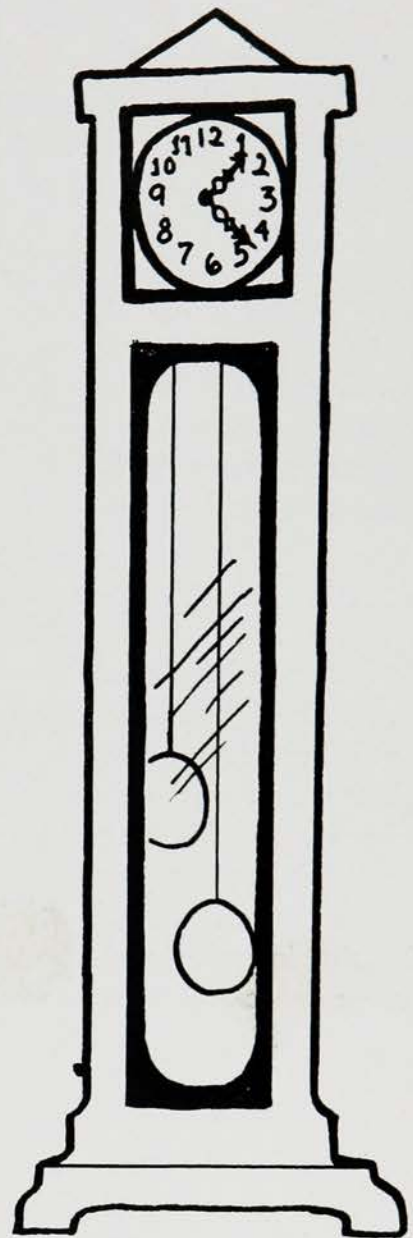


"Wait... for Time shall



teach thee all things."

TUPPER



Seniors



"Wait... for Time shall



Class His

Freshman year

Small class of eleven . . . Carole our s
sweet, she's gay—she's our representative
her eye on Optima . . . Audrey loves ho
Mindy's bearskin rug . . . we're one ste

Sophomore year

Mrs. Fullaway, our mother away fro
midnight . . . congruent triangles in ro
Country Auction complete with a live
Junior Hall and twenty-five cents to the
Fence Club meetings every Saturday . .
as yet unsurpassed . . . the locust plague
House . . . O' Happy Day.

Junior year

Afternoon study hall in the academic
elections . . . lookout tower on lower Sen
of sledding in the driveway . . . thirty g
. . . science lab passes acid test . . . By
jumping from second story window
Brothers pitches its tents in the refectory
. . . fire engines rescue the flaming trash
party at Leesburg . . . Miss Fulton, why a
. . . Miss Hendrix bids us farewell . . . te
seniors! ! !

Senior year

We're at the top of the ladder and ho
. . . the little yellow book . . . that e
chemistry . . . everybody with savoir f
"Speedie Weenie" burns our hot dogs .
Hazel . . . "A Night in Hawaii" . . . Al
thanks to the day students . . . M. V. S.
Thanksgiving . . . "Pajama Game" becom
. . . scarves from Yale, Princeton, Harva
L., Georgia, Lawrenceville . . . twenty r
House . . . spring comes at last . . . Jun
our last and best party at Leesburg . . . L
tion Dance . . . Class Night . . . "Pomp

teach thee all things."

TUPPER



Anne Gorman Young

WASHINGTON, D. C.

*"He has achieved success who has lived well,
laughed often and loved much."* ANDERSON

Who's the girl that's been holding offices longer than most of us can remember? Who's the one with the winning smile and warm personality? Whose athletic ability is surpassed only by academic honors? Among the names that mold school spirit you will surely find Anne Young's. Responsible and capable, Anne will always be a success. Even the perils of Canadian ski slopes cannot daunt her. But don't fail to notice the mischief in her eye. Hear her laugh and be glad, for whether she's conducting a Student Council meeting or visiting a friend at the Dog Pound, she's still our Anne.

White Team; Optima, II, III, IV; Student Council President, IV; Class President, II, III; A. A. Representative, I; Hockey, I, II, III, IV; Basketball, II, III, IV; CUPOLA, III; Glee Club, I, II; Chapel Guild, IV.

Judith Ann Lauer

ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

*"... Then give to the world the best you have
And the best will come back to you."* BRIDGES

If you see tears in her eyes, Judy is probably shaking with silent laughter. Versatile and gifted, the Senior Class President is everywhere at once. Peep in the Field House every afternoon to see Miss Mary Sue Vanilla Bar herself; catch her after study hall and she's tap dancing in the closet; attend hockey and basketball games and she'll either be making a goal or cheering vigorously. The poems in the *Cellophane* were written by Judy; the scenery at the dance was painted by Judy. We could go on endlessly, but Judy's popularity speaks for itself.



White Team; Class Vice-President, III, President, IV; Basketball, IV; Baseball, II, III, IV; Cheerleader, Captain, II, III, IV; *Cellophane*, II, IV; Feature Editor, III; CUPOLA, III, IV; *Carousel*, IV; Library Council, III; House Council, III; Glee Club, II, III; Chapel Guild, IV; Lend-A-Hand, III, IV.



Nancy Elizabeth Bealer

CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND

"What flower is this that greets the morn?"
HOLMES

Can one person see enough of Annapolis? Rain or shine you'll find Nancy rooting for Navy in her low, husky voice. A lover of excitement, she's in trouble more than she's out of trouble. Nancy's blond hair has been a source of controversy for years. "Honestly, I haven't done a thing to it!" The conclusion has finally been drawn that she wears a lovely blonde wig and is quite bald underneath. Always bursting with curiosity, Nancy is gay and enthusiastic about anything she undertakes, and greets life with a chuckle.

Yellow Team; CUPOLA, II, III, IV; Library Council, II.

Erica R. Blohm

CARACAS, VENEZUELA

"With malice toward none; with charity for all."
LINCOLN

"Oh, in South America we have parties every night" is a famous saying from Erica, our friend from South of the Border. There is nothing our Posture Queen can't do; a star in tennis and swimming, she has won various trophies and honors. Tri-lingual Erica has managed to master not only English but also slang. Erica is friendly and conscious of everything around her. We wish you had come to us sooner, Erica, for with your graceful, charming ways you have helped make this year a happier and more pleasant one for us.



Yellow Team; CUPOLA, IV.



White Team; Prep Players, IV.

Carolyn Lulu Booth

FAIR HAVEN, MARYLAND

"Silent as thought in evening contemplation."

AIKEN

There's a tall willowy brunette on the scene this year. Although it's difficult for a girl to enter school in the senior year, Lou has made a definite place for herself. If this quiet girl has a special sparkle in her eye, you know that she's busy planning an exciting weekend at Maryland U. Lou is a determined and hardworking student. Who else comes up with 100's in chemistry? Also talented in dramatics, Lou has a quiet speaking voice and poised stage presence. She has been a real asset to Prep Players.

Linda Ruth Brewster

AKRON, OHIO

"Knowledge this man prizes best

Seems fantastic to the rest." EMERSON

Although Linda's forte is math, she is also quite adept on the tennis courts. Her contributions to the school include a revision of the Pythagorean Theorem and a discovery in nuclear physics that has upset the realm of science. Unselfish and cheerful, Linda is glad to help you at any time. Not only does she share her time and knowledge, she also shares her Kleenex. When Linda finally donates her brain for medical observation, the scientists will surely find, among other objects, a little piece of paper bearing her favorite word, "Greetings."



Yellow Team; Class Treasurer, IV; Sports Club, IV; CUPOLA, III; Glee Club, II; Lend-A-Hand, III.

Judith Carmichael

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

"Glide its hours uncounted, the sun its toy."

EMERSON

One of our four-year girls, Judy is an institution at Mount Vernon. Vivacious, willing, and cheerful, she is always bursting with new plans. This year she has been a mainstay of the Social League and the CUPOLA staff. On top of this, she is quite agile in the world of sports. Gay, friendly Judy will be remembered as an outstanding personality of the Class of '55. Not to be forgotten are the annual class parties at Leesburg, the many exciting trips to distant Points, and the gifted tongue and ready smile that typify Judy.

White Team; Hockey, IV; Cellophane, IV; CUPOLA, II, III, Business Manager, IV; Prep Players, I; Social League, I, Treasurer, IV.

Mary Barrett Clayton

COCOA BEACH, FLORIDA

"Dost dream of things beyond the moon." BRAD-STREET

Who is it that can light up a room as soon as she enters? Mary, of course! She has numerous charming qualities that attract many friends, male and female. As Social League chairman and cheerleader, Mary has certainly added sparkle to M. V. S. Her spirit also carries over through the weekend, as you can easily tell by the shining eyes. With her combination of artistic and musical talents, plus a genuine enthusiasm for life, Mary is sure to be among the graceful statues in the Hall of Fame. We will all be proud to say, "I knew her when . . . !"



White Team; Cheerleader, II, III, IV; Cellophane, Art Editor, III, IV; CUPOLA, III; Library Council, III; Glee Club, II, III; Lend-A-Hand, III, IV; Social League, Chairman, IV.

Dear Sinorita.

You have always been so kind and thoughtful. One of the things I liked best about 1961 was the friendliness of the Faculty. I will sore miss your Spanish class. It was one of my favorites. Best of luck always to a wonderful person.



June Merle Cook

WASHINGTON, D. C.

I have no mockings or arguments, I witness and wait." WHITMAN

Carried away in a lovely daydream, June sits and stares placidly out the window. She's probably planning expeditions to far-away lands. Who could imagine that this girl is the same one who comes roaring up the hill every morning in her green station wagon. During the day you will find June in the art room, carefully molding clay. Her talent in this direction has produced many artistic pieces of sculpture. The CUPOLA sincerely appreciates June's work this year. We hope that her perfectly typed business letters are an indication of a successful business career ahead.

White Team; CUPOLA, III, IV.

Mary Emily Crigler

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"Her fluttering hand against her forehead pressed."

MILLAY

Conscientious, worrying Molly—who really has nothing to worry about at all. Who else eats five lunches and never gains an ounce? Molly's are the dainty sensuous feet you see pedaling the piano every morning in Chapel. Those same feet are often seen wrapped around a chair in the art studio, for Molly loves to paint. If you've ever seen her mumbling, Molly was either memorizing history dates or learning lines for the spring play. In either field she is a thorough, fast memorizer. This power of memorization contributes to Molly's dramatic ability. Under her competent leadership, Prep Players has produced some outstanding plays this year.



White Team; Optima, III, IV; Class Secretary, II; Chapel Guild, IV; Prep Players, I, II, III, President, IV; Library Council, Secretary, IV; Carousel, Business Manager, IV.



Leslie Alice Crutchfield

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA

"I'm nobody, who are you?" DICKINSON

She strolls into CUPOLA meeting a half hour late, apple in hand, gleam in eye, and smile on face. "I forgot," she says, and that explains all. But don't let her wide-eyed smile fool you! She's analyzing you as you speak. Come to any party and there's Les, singing "Mountain Dew," dancing a waltz, and chewing on a piece of straw. She's a citified hayseed with a heart as big as all D. C. She's a friendly, crazy Southerner who is first, last, and always the White Team Spirit. She's—well—she's OUR Les and we hope she always will be.

White Team, Captain, IV; Hockey, III, IV; Tennis, III; Basketball, IV; Glee Club, II, III; *Cellophane*, II, Editor, III; CUPOLA, Literary Editor, IV; *Carousel*, Editor, IV.

Mary Logan deButts

ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA

"Something attempted, something done." LONG-FELLOW

As photography editor of this yearbook, Mary has often been heard saying, "Do you have any snaps for the yearbook?" or "Who can type?" Sports are usually included on Mary's weekly agenda. Mary is often seen on horseback, galloping over the meadows of McLean, Virginia, with her face beaming with health and good spirits. Who else can claim a car like Mary's? When the rest of us sped to school on roller skates, Mary rode in style. We'll never forget her little blue car with the chair in the back. After the dust clears from Mary's speedy exit, you can be sure she's heading for success.



Yellow Team; Class Secretary, IV; Hockey, IV; Basketball, III, IV; Cheerleader, II; CUPOLA, II, III, Photography Editor, IV.



Diane Ada Dodge

MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA

"Sleep that knits up the ravell'd sleeve of care."

SHAKESPEARE

Gay, friendly Diane is one of the Miami crowd. The first discovery we made about Diane was that she requires twenty-four hours of sleep a day. In the library Di is curled up in a chair, on the train she's in someone else's upper berth, in class her head is on the desk. But as much as she loves sleep, Di never misses a good time, and often goes to New York or Dartmouth. Her hair is one of her main features and Di wants it long. She snatches the scissors away and with her little laugh says, "Just 'til graduation."

White Team; Library Council, IV; Chapel Guild, IV; Glee Club, IV.

Virginia Carden Dorr

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"He travels in a distant place." MEYNELL

Who's that running around with her orange and black scarf waving in the breeze? It's Ginny Dorr preparing for another trip to Princeton. Is this the ninth or tenth time? This pretty "Parisienne" has lived in France long enough to learn, among other things, how to roll her r's. Thanks to chauffeur Ginny, French Four has been able to attend the French conferences every month. Her gay spirit shows up in her sparkling smile and shining eyes. Ginny, with her model's figure, will probably find herself modeling the latest Paris fashions. How are they wearing Tiger scarves this year?

Dear Senorita,
I seem to have given
you an extra
amount of trouble
this year in
justing not catch-
ing on to that
old grammar.
However, at long
last the light has
finally dawned and
I hope that all is
well. Thank you
so very much
for being so



wonderfully understanding
and patient with me. I certainly have enjoyed
the two years I had with you and
you certainly have been the greatest
to me and I shall never forget you. Truly
thank you so much for my two wonderful
years - much love always - Virginia

White Team; Sports Club, IV; Glee Club, II; Prep Players, IV.



Ann Welsh Dulles

McLEAN, VIRGINIA

"Where life's busy arts combine." NEWMAN

When "Echoes of Paris" floats over the house, you can be sure the music originates in Ann's room. Creative Ann has a generous supply of talents; she paints, knits, and sews her own clothes. To be an interior decorator is her ambition, and she will undoubtedly live in the most modernistic house in the U.S.A. Yale in the winter and Henderson Harbor in the summer seem to intrigue Ann as much as art, however. Being the outdoor type, she loves to swim and sail. Thanks to her hospitality, many of us have enjoyed numerous spring afternoons at Ann's swimming pool.

White Team; Class Treasurer, II; Sports Club, IV; Library Council, III; Chapel Guild, II; Glee Club, II.

Nancee Cunningham Engle

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"A merry heart goes all the day." SHAKESPEARE

The Big Blue Bomb creeps up the hill and out climbs our steal from Friends. Nancee, a natural leader, is found in the center of every group and is identified by her characteristic laugh. Her one year with us has been a highly successful one. Nancee is always an assurance of good company; her detailed descriptions of hilarious weekends have been a source of delightful entertainment. Now that the Blue Bomb is going back down the hill, we hear a burst of laughter and glimpse a pair of penetrating eyes peeping from a mass of curly blonde hair.



Yellow Team, Secretary, IV; Cheerleader, Captain, IV; Sports Club, IV.

Dear Senior
 a
 in your
 for
 two years.
 I may have
 you are quite
 about my organization
 Good Luck
 Bonnie Evans



Yellow Team; Glee Club, III; Prep Players, IV.

Bonnie Lesley Evans

WEST BROOKSVILLE, MAINE

"Her bright smile haunts me still." CARPENTER

Bonnie is exceptionally well-traveled and has been to school in many parts of the world. She finally came to rest here at Mount Vernon. Her mischievous grin and pertinent, thought-provoking questions have never failed to keep both students and teachers alert in class. After college Bonnie may be a lady chemist, assisting in world-shaking discoveries, for she is the only one here who can complete a chemistry course in half a year. It is hard to find Bonnie when she's behind her latest sculpture, because she never tackles anything small.

Marjorie Bride Felix

BETHESDA, MARYLAND

"True artists are a rare breed." COOKE

The fashion posters you've seen around school were painted by Margie, a talented artist and a hard worker. Margie contributes to school activities such as *Carousel* where she can put this talent to good use. At the Christmas Dance, Margie was a real heroine as she limped in with a cane. The reason? A sprained ankle received while playing basketball. Although she came to school not knowing a soul, Margie can be proud of a successful year. We who have known her shall swell with pride when we see her fashion illustrations in *Vogue* and *Harper's Bazaar*.



White Team; CUPOLA, IV; *Carousel*, IV.



Jean Chambon Freitag

AKRON, OHIO

"I stamped the ground in the strong joy of life."

BENÉT

Just half of the pair, but a definite individual, Jean is known for sparkle and wit. She is an imp in disguise, who makes her calling hours after ten-thirty, by appointment only. Just mention the word fun, and she gets that gleam in her eye. Jean's all-round interests include tennis, swimming, singing, and the Field House. She spends her fun-packed vacations in her two favorite cities, New York and Miami. With her generous attitude and helpful ways, Jean has done much for Mount Vernon as co-president of the Glee Club, and will not soon be forgotten.

Yellow Team; Hockey, Manager, IV; Tennis, III, IV; Library Council, III, IV; Prep Players, III; Lend-A-Hand, III, IV; Glee Club, III, President, IV.

Joan Chambon Freitag

AKRON, OHIO

"I turn not away from their smiles nor their tears." Foss

The other co-president of the Glee Club comes forth and another personality reveals itself. Joan, the quieter of the two, has a sympathetic nature that makes her well-liked. She loves a party, though, and always has a generous supply of male admirers. Outstanding sportsmanship have won Joan recognition in tennis and hockey. This year she was brave enough to play goalie on the hockey team. We are all proud of the fact that we are at last able to tell Joan from Jean. We will miss you, Joan . . . I mean Jean—which one are you, anyway?



White Team; Hockey, IV; Tennis, III, IV; Library Council, III, IV; Lend-A-Hand, III, IV; Glee Club, III, President, IV.

Susanne Garrison

SARASOTA, FLORIDA

"I am a good old rebel—Yes; that's just what I am—" RANDOLPH

Sue has a mighty deep voice for such a little gal, but is able to take care of herself. A combination of sharp intelligence and subtle humor, Sue often comes out with rare remarks. Why does she get so much mail? Well, she writes an eighteen-page letter every night. Sue, a lover of good times and excitement, has often been seen speeding around in a dilapidated jeep. She loves to kick off her shoes, throw off all pretenses and be her own natural self. At present Sue's high aimed ambition is to work at the United Nations.



Yellow Team; Sports Club, IV; Library Council, III; House Council, IV; Glee Club, II, III.

Sally Bruce Gillespie

CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND

"Cookery is become an art, a noble science."
BURTON

Our future homemaker steps into the picture with a pan of brownies in one hand and a cherry pie in the other. She can also be recognized as the only girl who can manage one inch of rubberbands on her socks. In her three years at Mount Vernon, not a party or dance has taken place without Sally's being on the Food Committee. She has spent many a Saturday morning slaving over a hot stove. Her genuine enthusiasm to help with any activity, no matter how much work it entails, has won for Sally the permanent title of "a friend in need."



Yellow Team; Library Council, III, IV; Social League, II; Lend-A-Hand, III; Glee Club, II, III, IV.



Miriam Carol Hammond

OCEANA, WEST VIRGINIA

"She has a voice of gladness, and a smile of eloquence and beauty." BRYANT

As the lovely strains of "Blue Moon" drift over the room, a deep sigh issues from the heart of M. V. S. The voice? It's Carol Hammond's, the girl with the long, long hair. All who have gone before House Council know just how comforting that sweet smile of hers can be. A gentle Southern manner and a West Virginia accent constitute Carol's charm. Although we hate to give up our golden songbird, we'll have to share her with the world. Whenever we hear "Tenderly," "Somewhere Along the Way," or "You'll Never Walk Alone," we shall think of Carol.

White Team; House President, IV; Chapel Guild, IV; Glee Club, III, IV.

Joan Weidemann Healey

OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

*"Out where the handclasp's a little stronger,
... that's where the West begins."* CHAPMAN

For the past two years Mount Vernon has been blessed with a refreshing breeze from Oklahoma. Jo has proved to be a typical representative of the West, friendly and good-natured. As captain of the Yellow Team, she has been a capable and successful leader. As a newcomer to Washington, Jo has had no trouble in quickly making friends and making a place for herself at Mount Vernon. When Jo leaves for college, we shall all miss her, but we'll know, that with her conscientiousness and sincerity of purpose, she will go far.



Yellow Team, Captain, IV; Baseball, III; Sports Club, III, IV; Glee Club, III; Lend-A-Hand, IV.

Dearest Senorita,
if I have

a million Spanish teachers

I shall still remember

you as my first, foremost and finest. Not only did you give us the very best foundation in Spanish but you spiked our Spanish knowledge with some good everyday knowledge that will come in handy in all our lives. Thank you for all your pleasant assistance.

Love always, Pepi!



Lucy Matheson Hight

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"Youth is full of pleasure." SHAKESPEARE

Lucy, a member of the Bermuda Bell Club, is frequently seen in her bright green convertible, commonly known as "The Grasshopper." Always in love, with the Navy in particular, Lucy is unanimously named "Most Likely to Marry First." We still have one question: How did she manage to be absent more than she was present? Lucy must be commended for her ability to break more legs and tear more ligaments than anybody at M. V. S. Why, she even jumped in front of a car! How we have enjoyed her strange but hilarious remarks about that bottle of peroxide.

White Team, Manager, IV; CUPOLA, IV; Glee Club, I, II, III, IV.

Margery Virginia Hudson

CHEVY CHASE, MARYLAND

"Do bold things in a quiet way." ENGLISH

As chief of Mount Vernon's Taxi Service, Margie has generously given much of her free time to chauffeuring her classmates around. She is an avid fan of the Chevy Chase Rescue Squad, as you have probably noticed by the wailing siren that distinguishes her Chevy from all others. What is the strange attraction for Maryland U.? Margie is known for her successful parties and for her active participation in school activities. Honest, friendly, and genuinely sincere, Margie is one of these rare souls whose unselfish manner is revealed in everything she does.



White Team; CUPOLA, IV; Glee Club, I, II.



Yellow Team; CUPOLA, IV; Glee Club, III.

Cynthia Hughes

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"Little I ask; my wants are few." HOLMES

Ciny is a Wilson veteran who has been with us for two years. Although she appears quiet to those who don't know her well, Ciny is quite a gay blade at heart. At parties her secret personality reveals itself in the form of demure hilarity. Not a single weekend finds Ciny at home—she simply disappears until Monday morning. Ciny is always ready to help a friend with any task and does it cheerfully. Tiny, dark, and feminine, she possesses many ladylike qualities that we all would like to acquire.

Frances Lee Hummel

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"Integrity, health, soundness to the full." JEFFERS

Everyone at Mount Vernon will agree that it is Fran who is responsible for the high level of sport spirit. As president of the Athletic Association, Fran has expended much time and energy in arousing the student body from a state of indifference to one of exuberance. Her efforts are not confined to sports, however, for she gives herself unselfishly to all phases of school life. In spite of her many extra-curricular activities, Fran has always maintained a fine scholastic record. What is it about Fran that has endeared her to all of us? Perhaps it's the wonderful combination of friendliness, good humor, and complete honesty.



Yellow Team; Hockey, II, III, IV; Basketball, II, III, IV; Baseball, II, III, IV; A. A. Representative, III, President, IV; CUPOLA, IV; Glee Club, II, III; *Carousel*, IV.



Mary Amelia Johnson

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"As full of spirit as the month of May." SHAKESPEARE

She was last seen speeding through D. C. on an empty tank of gas at midnight. Destination? She must reach Rockin' Red's Record Room before closing time. Melie knows how to live, even when she's in "solitary" for six months. Her sparkling wit and ready laughter are a shining light in this serious world of ours. She not only plays center forward on the hockey team, but she takes five majors as well. As if these accomplishments weren't enough, Melie has directed the activities of the Sports Club this year. In a word, Melie loves life, and we love Melie.

White Team; Hockey, III, IV; Sports Club, III, President, IV; Cellophane, III; CUPOLA, IV; Glee Club, III.

Dear Señorita
my two years

Dorothy Douglass Kellam

BELLE HAVEN, VIRGINIA

"Live for friendship, live for love." EMERSON

here to a
come already
close already
I can hardly
believe it
I want
to thank
you for
all the
help you
have given
me in these
past two years
in everything from
college boards on
And I really have learned
something in Spanish even though
my final exam didn't show it. I don't
know what I'm going to do
without you teaching me next year—
but I'll be back
to visit you. May
God bless you,
Señorita always,
Love,
Dorothy



White Team; Chapel Guild, III, President, IV; Cellophane, IV; Glee Club, III, IV; Lend-A-Hand, IV; Carousel, IV.



Gloria Arlene Leoffler

WASHINGTON, D. C.

*"I hold no dream of fortune vast,
Nor seek undying fame."* GUEST

"I'm in a good mood today." This statement is a typical Monday morning Leofflerism—until lab. Gloria seems to be the shy type, but some know her better than that. With her own special sense of humor, she is the cause of sudden outbursts of laughter—eh, Fran? Gloria is a member of the elite three in French IV who have been to France and are therefore able to exchange their American twang for throaty French sounds. Well, the time has come to leave, and there is Gloria, batting her big blue eyes and smiling shyly.

White Team; Lend-A-Hand, I; Glee Club, I, II, III; Library Council, I, II; CUPOLA, IV.

Lyn McClure

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"The clear brown eyes, kindly and alert." FEARING

A shining example to new girls, Lynn has made a place for herself during her one short year with us. As art editor of the *Carousel*, she has proven herself clever and talented; as a cheerleader, spirited and lively. "Dimples" is quite an asset to the chemistry department. Always striving for the spectacular, she has accomplished every feat but blowing up the lab. This she will do with a little more practice. "What next?" Lynn asks innocently and points an acid-burned finger to a hole in her acid-burned sweater.



Yellow Team; Cheerleader, IV; Sports Club, IV; CUPOLA, IV; *Carousel*, Art Editor, IV.



Yellow Team; Glee Club, IV.

Sue McGaha

WICHITA FALLS, TEXAS

"Glossy plumage, dark and sleek." BAILLIE

When this tall, attractive, sophisticated brunette walked through our gates, we were convinced at first sight that she was a New Yorker. But with the first utterance of Texas twang, our convictions were shattered. Although Sue can hardly see without her glasses, she is somehow able to choose the most beautiful clothes in the store and always looks as if she just stepped from a fashion page. Have you ever seen her bop? It's quite a treat, but don't be surprised when you receive a bill for Sue's bopping instruction. Sue is a challenge to anyone who thinks she can out-talk that hilarious Wichita wit.

Diane Stone Mellon

PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

"Lovely, blooming, fresh and gay." O'KEEFE

Diane, a product of the Golden Triangle, is the only member of the Pittsburgh Pirates who can waltz. With her remarkable understanding of common love problems and her motherly instinct, Diane will someday be a successful kindergarten teacher—after Europe, of course! In many a quaint and atmospheric dining spot of D. C., you will find Diane, sparkling as ever, trying out a new exotic dish. The next time Diane is seen she will be in Paris, daydreaming as she watches the lights dance on the Seine; listening to the World Series on her portable radio.



White Team; Cheerleader, III, IV; *Cellophane*, III; Glee Club, II, III, IV; *Carousel*, IV.



Lynn Lamont Meredith

NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

"A smile, a smoke, a good way to commence."

BYNNER

With one foot in New York, the other in Miami, and her heart in Atlanta, Lynn is belle of all three cities. Happy-go-lucky Lynn has a constantly sweet disposition that draws many friends. So far nobody has yet surpassed Lynn's unique and magical dancing ability. She is honorary president of Eddie Condon's Fan Club. Lynn is also quite an actress as she has demonstrated by excellent performances in Prep Players this year. We have one thing to say in parting—don't be upset when Lynnie is late for her own funeral.

Yellow Team; Basketball, IV; Cellophane, IV; Prep Players, IV; Carousel, IV.

Phyllis Marcia Preiser

CHARLESTON, WEST VIRGINIA

"With a frolick welcome took the thunder and the sunshine." WARD

Those who have lived under Phyllis's room can vouch for her dancing ability. Whether it's the Knee-Knocker or the Toe-Twister, Phyl can do it. She has entertained us at many a party with her spectacular Charleston. Her energies also extend to cheerleading and hockey. In those activities she has done much for the Yellow Team spirit. With the vigor of ten people put together, Phyl is the sunshine of Senior Hall. She is also known for her knee stockings, for wherever she went, they were sure to go. We wish a bright future to Sunshine Preiser.



Yellow Team; Cheerleader, II, Captain, III; Library Council, IV; Glee Club, II, III, IV; Carousel, IV.



Patricia Gail Price

GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT

"Patience and you shall reach the biding place."

CRANE

Gail, who has more male admirers than she can count, is also the efficient gal who deserves the credit for the yearbook. As business manager last year and editor this year, Gail has proved capable of big things. Hard work, patience, and a quick mind are Gail's attributes for success. Quiet as she may seem, she has a devilish side that prompts such practical joking such as putting live crickets in the dresser drawers of her unsuspecting friends. If Gail is small, her will power makes up for it; she goes her way with a smile and an air of independence.

Yellow Team; Optima, III, IV; CUPOLA, II, Business Manager, III, Editor, IV; *Cellophane*, III; House Council, III, IV; Lend-A-Hand, II; *Carousel*, IV.

Marion Hughes Redick

WAVERLY, IOWA

"Happiness is a wine of the rarest vintage." SMITH

Ducky was lucky enough to become a five-day boarder during her senior year. Her constant good humor and cheery face have won her many friends. As the founder of the Ladies' Afternoon Knitting Circle, Ducky, with her flying fingers, has produced faultless results. She loves to zoom around town in the Johnson's car, putting on the brakes only when approaching St. Albans. As president of Lend-A-Hand this year, Ducky has done much to make others happy; she has made us happy by just being her tactful, considerate self.



Yellow Team; Basketball, III, IV; Baseball, III; Lend-A-Hand, Treasurer, III, President, IV; Glee Club, III, IV; Library Council, III.



Shelley Burke Rich

HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA

"By a tranquil mind I mean nothing less than a mind well ordered." AURELIUS

"I have a shorter way to do that problem; it doesn't come out right, but it's so logical!" Shelley is a close descendant of Einstein himself. She has been in Optima since her freshman year and is president this year. Besides academic talents, Shelley is a fine horsewoman and hunting enthusiast. In fact she is most at home in a riding habit. Many a weekend finds Shelley in Huntington for hunting and other purposes. Shelley's is the typewriter you heard tapping away far into the night. How we would like to have her organized mind!

White Team; Optima, I, II, III, President, IV; Class Treasurer, I, Vice-President, III; Library Council, II, III; House Council, II; Glee Club, II, III; Prep Players, I.

Audrey St. George-Smith

GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT

"The thoughts that burned and glowed within."
EMERSON

"Will summer never come?" Audrey, who lives for vacations, is a different person when she leaves the M. V. S. gates. With gay pony tail flying, Audie is no longer the rather serious girl we know at school. Remember the famous European tour of '53? Audie was in on that too. Another four-year gal, who by now knows the darkest corners and quickest means of escape, she has related many a wild and wooly tale about her adventures. Never shall we forget those horses that Audrey painted. Here's hoping they illustrate the newest edition of "Buffalo Bill."



White Team; Lend-A-Hand, IV; Prep Players, I, II; CUPOLA, III, IV.



Susann Schleman

SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

*"Little drops of water, little grains of sand
Make the mighty ocean and the pleasant land."*

CARNEY

This busy little redheaded bee is the energetic miss who works so hard to keep the library neat for us. This year Susie has been the power behind the Library Council. She has an outgoing personality and loves to do things for others. Whenever you need help of any kind, she's always there. In her spare time she's either curled up with a good book or making the rounds at Williams, Yale, Princeton, or Annapolis. Adept at a good time, this minute Ivy-Leaguer goes through life spreading good cheer wherever she happens to be.

Yellow Team; Library Council, III, Chairman, IV; Glee Club, III; Prep Players, IV.

Mae Rennolds Seward

BETHESDA, MARYLAND

"Fond of fun as fond can be." SAYERS

Where is Mickey? Probably relaxing in her aqua station wagon and listening to some good ole hill-billy music. You can be sure that Mickey tolerates nothing but the Rambling Mountaineers or the Briarhoppers as far as music is concerned. Mickey, who came to us from B. C. C., is quite a horse-lover and spends much of her time riding. When she isn't riding, she's at the Hot Shoppe admiring the hamburgers and ice cream. Mickey, with her good humor and naturalness, loves to have a good time. We shall remember her for those dry remarks followed by peals of uncontrollable laughter.



Yellow Team; Sports Club, IV; Glee Club, III.



Sarah Blair Smethurst

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"Not from a vain or shallow thought." EMERSON

A unique combination of brains and beauty, Sally is the possessor of a sparkling personality. She would never admit that under that mischievous and laughing presence lie various pronounced intellectual abilities. In fact, Sal is one of the more brilliant members of the senior class, aside from being the biggest party girl. Our fun loving, rip-roaring Snazz'roo Sal is a distinctive figurehead of the Mount Vernon Rocks. An undaunted spirit, a love for adventure, and the warm naturalness of an extrovert are the ingredients that make Sal the All-American Girl.

Yellow Team; Optima, IV; Hockey, II, III, IV; A. A. Vice-President, III, Representative, IV; Sports Club, III; CUPOLA, IV; Glee Club, II, III; *Carousel*, IV; *Cellophane*, III; Prep Players, IV.

Jeannette Meredith Townsend

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"All educated Americans, first or last, go to Europe." EMERSON

A poetic description of Jeannette would be "a dream on ice." Those who have been lucky enough to see Jeannette perform can vouch for her remarkable skating skill. However, the Skaters' Waltz is no lovelier than good jazz to J. T. Weekend excursions have taken her to the far corners of the college globe. J. T. can be proud of the fact that she was the first senior to be accepted into college. We wish her luck at Manhattanville, and we know that with her perseverance and self-assurance, J. T. will get what she wants out of life.



White Team; Class Treasurer, III; Hockey, III; Sports Club, III; CUPOLA, IV; *Cellophane*, III.



Anne Trimble

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"Mirth and laughter." BYRON

Anne Trimble, better known as "Big Trim", with her love of chatter, scarcely finds time to stop talking long enough to eat and drink. She is an active member of the "Gee, I'm Glad It's Friday" Club, for weekends are a must in Anne's book. A jazz fan, Anne spends many hours listening to her beloved collection of records. Anne's gay giggle and sense of humor will leave their mark at Mount Vernon. Whether she becomes a professional actress, a secretary, or a connoisseur of fine wines, she will undoubtedly be among the best in her field.

Yellow Team, Manager, IV; Glee Club, II; Library Council, IV; CUPOLA, III, IV.

Dolores Anna Fiamma Vergés

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"... gliding like a queen." SPENDER

If, while walking down "F" Street this past fall, you happened to glance at Brooks' window display, you undoubtedly saw a pair of familiar eyes; they were Dee Dee's. We are fascinated by the striking combination of a flashing smile and dark, dark eyes that reveal her Spanish descent. Dee Dee has found time to help educate the Spanish students by bringing to class authentic Spanish articles and she also found plenty of time for dates and parties. Why, what would the Mount Vernon date bureau have ever done without her?



White Team; Tennis, IV; Sports Club, IV.

Dear Señorita. Well there are no more
little walkers to come along now. I'm
the last. You've been a

Ann Mallory Walker

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"If you can keep your head when all . . . are losing
theirs." KIPLING

She's the woman about town, city, or country-
side. A happy blend of intelligence and good
humor plus a bright blond head of hair and an
equally bright yellow "Anamobile"—that's a pic-
ture of Ana. Cosmopolitan Ann knows what to
say and when to say it. Her latest ambition is to
graduate Magna Edjacashun from Vassah. Being
ambitious, Ann wants to do something great with
her life—and she will. Vigorous, happy, serious,
and responsible are all applicable to her personality.
We couldn't have done without Ann, for truly
she has added so much to our years at Mount
Vernon.



Yellow Team; Optima, III, IV; Class Secretary, III, Vice-
President, IV; Hockey, II, III, IV; Basketball, IV; Sports
Club, III; Cellophane, III; CUPOLA, Art Editor, IV; Glee
Club, II; Carousal, Assistant Editor, IV.

Cecilia K. Wheelock

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"She wears the rose of youth in her hair." SHAKESPEARE

Our cultured friend who has traveled a great
deal of this world, that's Kim. When she came to
us last year, she brought with her a warm friendly
personality, and immediately made it known to
the boarders that her home was open to them at
any time. Kim has taken an active part in the Glee
Club and excels in tennis. Her enthusiasm for this
sport is remarkable. Who else plays in the wind
and cold? Kim will be a success wherever she goes.
What is your next step, Miss Wheelock? Is it
Forest Hills or the Wimbledon Cup?



Yellow Team; Basketball, IV; Tennis, III, IV; Library
Council, III; Glee Club, III, Secretary, IV.



Carole Audrey Willett

WASHINGTON, D. C.

"'Twere a pleasant life to lead." BLANCHARD

This little miss has been adorning the halls of M. V. S. for four years. If you should want to know the latest tidbit, just go to Carole. By some strange power she is able to keep up with all the latest news. Did you have a simply dreamy date for the last dance? Then you have Carole to thank. But her social activities aren't limited to our campus. She can often be found at Annapolis, and we're willing to bet that someday Carole will be Color Girl of the present Yearling Class. Good-bye to our social butterfly.

Yellow Team; Class Secretary, I; Cheerleader, II, IV; CUPOLA, III, IV; Glee Club, I, II; Social League, II, III.

Alice Tiffany Wilson

SAVANNAH, GEORGIA

"Laugh and the world laughs with you." WILCOX

Tiff is the only Glee Club member whose voice can rattle the chandeliers. A firm but gentle proctor, Tiff says, "Y'all be quiet," and means it. Yet there's a pixie's grin on her face to let you know she's really not angry. This hilarious Southerner with the hearty laugh is a gay party gal who can out-jitterbug us all. She can be spotted a mile away by her good-looking clothes. We won't forget the good times, nor will we ever forget our big-hearted, wonderful friend from Savannah.



Yellow Team; Team Manager, II; Hockey Varsity Manager, II; Basketball Varsity Manager, II; House Council, III, IV; Glee Club, II, III, IV.

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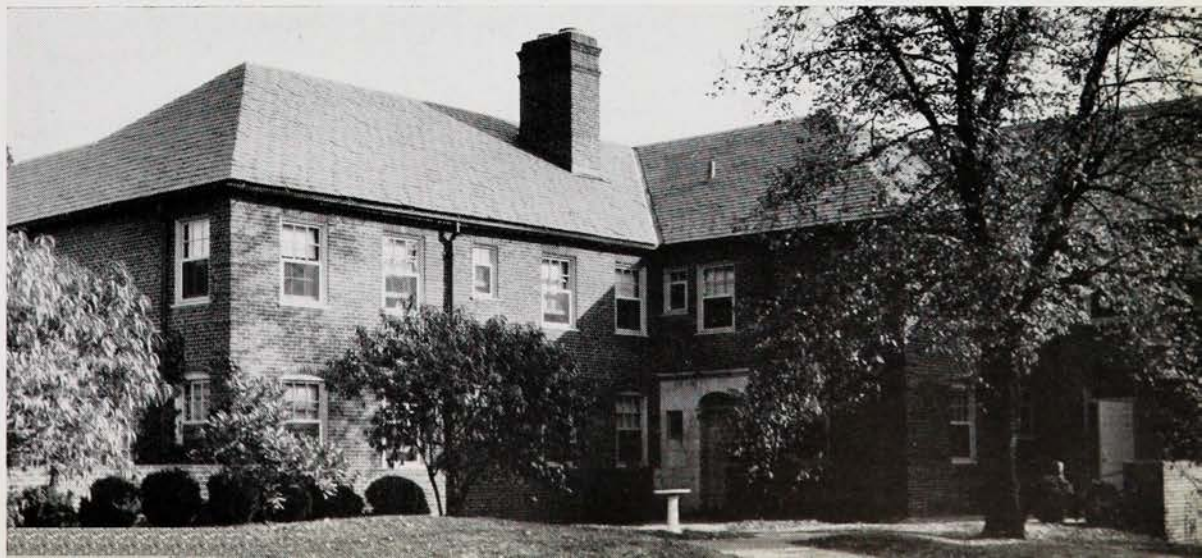
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"Work is the scythe



of time''

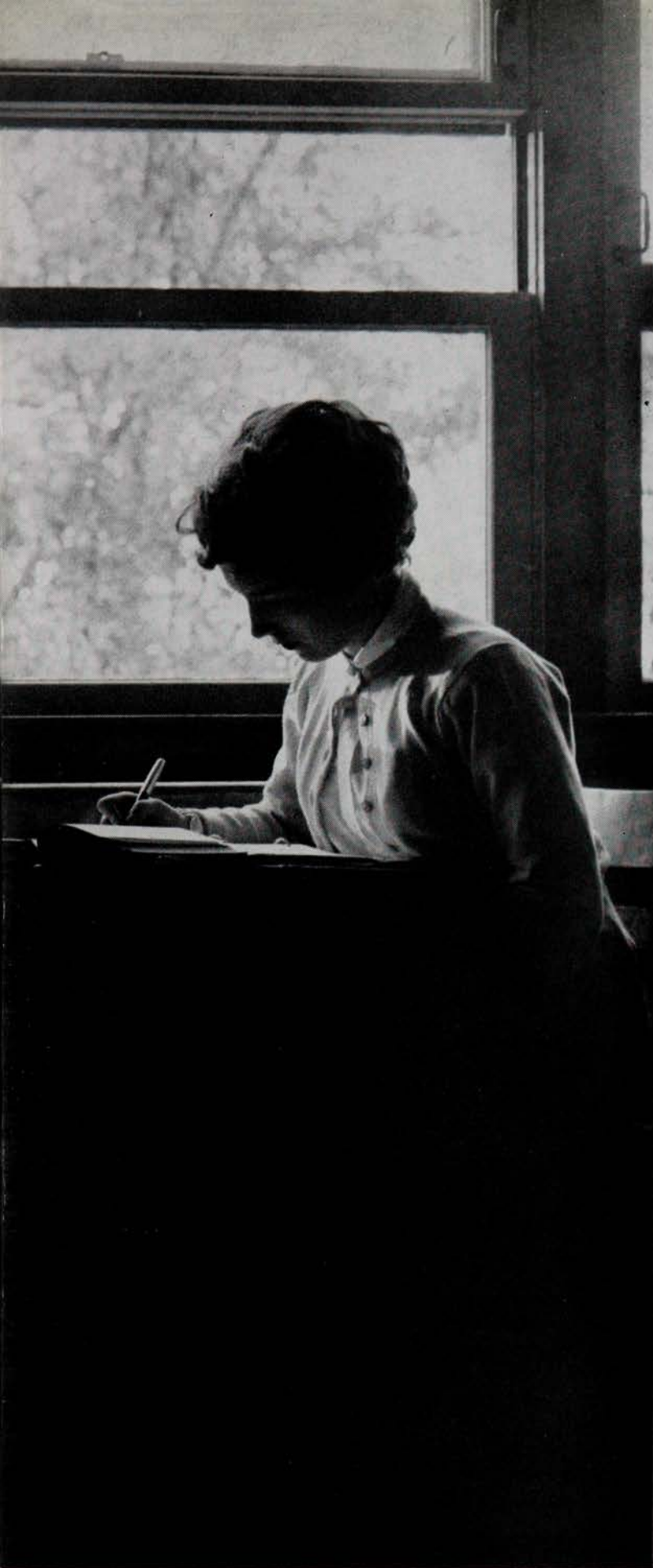
NAPOLEON



Underclassmen



"Work is the scythe



To the Under

You are now the lead

And you will set the

Best of luck to you,

Underclassmen.

We know you will su

And as you weave yo

Into the fabric of M

We will be thinking o

We leave in hopes tha

Helped in some way

To guide you.

Now you will be the

And others will follo

Make your footprint.

So they will last

Long after you have

THE

of time''

NAPOLEON



First row, left to right: Susan Mulford, Jane Ramsay, Nancy Cassedy, Margaret Ann Pentland, Secretary; Beverly Carter, Treasurer. Second row, left to right: Gayle Grimes, Beverly Knode, Julie Andreae, Susan Rees, Sandra Ramage, Jane Smith. Third row, left to right: Patsy Stanton, Elda Santeiro, Sandra Ussery. Fourth row, left to right: Margaret Ann Rucker, Gayle von Plonski, Katharine LeVan, Sara Harris, Lottie Lamar Lanier, Barbara Ingalls, Judy Peirsol, Susan Tharp. Fifth row, left to right: Lowry Smathers, Elaine Cabell, Judy OudsHoff, Ann Burroughs, Margaret Maddock.

Third Form



First row, left to right: Colette Curtenius, President; Carol Hughes, Vice-President; Essie Stripling, Linda Hall, Kate McDonald, Sally Pitts. *Second row, left to right:* Claudette Whitfield, Katharine Bonfoey, Lee Jones, Helen Wheeler, Margaret Gants. *Third row, left to right:* Mrs. Silcox, Advisor; Darlene Dodge, Barbara Honaker, Joyce Andrews, Mary Gill, Jean Crawford, Sandra Anderson. *Absent:* Ann Carter, Hilda Hutchins, Molly Doll, Marjorie Hasbrouck, Barbara Trunnell, Frances Wilson.

At last I am a junior—
 But there's just one more thing;
 I'll really be in heaven
 When I get my senior ring.



Left to right: Caroline Brower, Margaret Anderson, Chartley Ward, Torrey Matheson, Martha Holt, Vice-President; Margaret Gwathmey, Jane Brooks, Secretary; Paula Spano, Barbara Berry, Ginger Robinson, Joanna Evins, Treasurer; Carol Best, Frances Crigler, President; Miss Lester, Advisor; Julie Salas, Carolyn Edwards, Anne Morse, Shelby Parrish, Suzanne Wells, Ann Bailey, Sally Ann Cooke, Joyce Ference, Sandra Topping. *Absent:* Betty Ann Yonker.

Second Form

Now I am a wheel
 And know my way around—
 But if I were a junior
 My joy would be profound.

First Form

Oh, to be a sophomore—
That's what I long to be,
For then the little freshmen
Will be looking up to me!



Sitting, left to right: Linda Foster, Wendy Roehder, Sandra Catsman, Nancy Howar, Treasurer; Jeanne Clarke, Secretary; Linda Webb, Jane Evins, President. *Kneeling:* Daisy Lewis, Lynn Rosenberg. *Standing:* Nan Welker, Sheila Ussery, Victoria Bateman, Mrs. Lowry, Advisor; Pamela Walsworth. *Absent:* Luz Freire, Vice-President; Mary Bernard, Gay Morris, Penny Smith, Sandra Van Deventer.



"Governments, like clocks, go from the motion



Government

men give them."

PENN



"Governments, like clocks, go from the motion



Alma Mater

I

Our Alma Mater gloried
With loving hearts
We crown thee all victors
And sing thy praise
In loyalty we serve thee
And strive to heed thy
Mount Vernon, O Mother
Through self to conquer

II

You give unfailing kindness
If trouble meet us here
You foster all our pleasures
And make them seem
Nor time, nor care, nor
Can these fair days
But they, with each to
Help us new tasks to

III

Like breath of Spring
That lifts the heart
When courage droops
And paths seem gray
Will come thy dauntless
To help us on our way
Mount Vernon, O Mother
Hold fast thy tender

IV

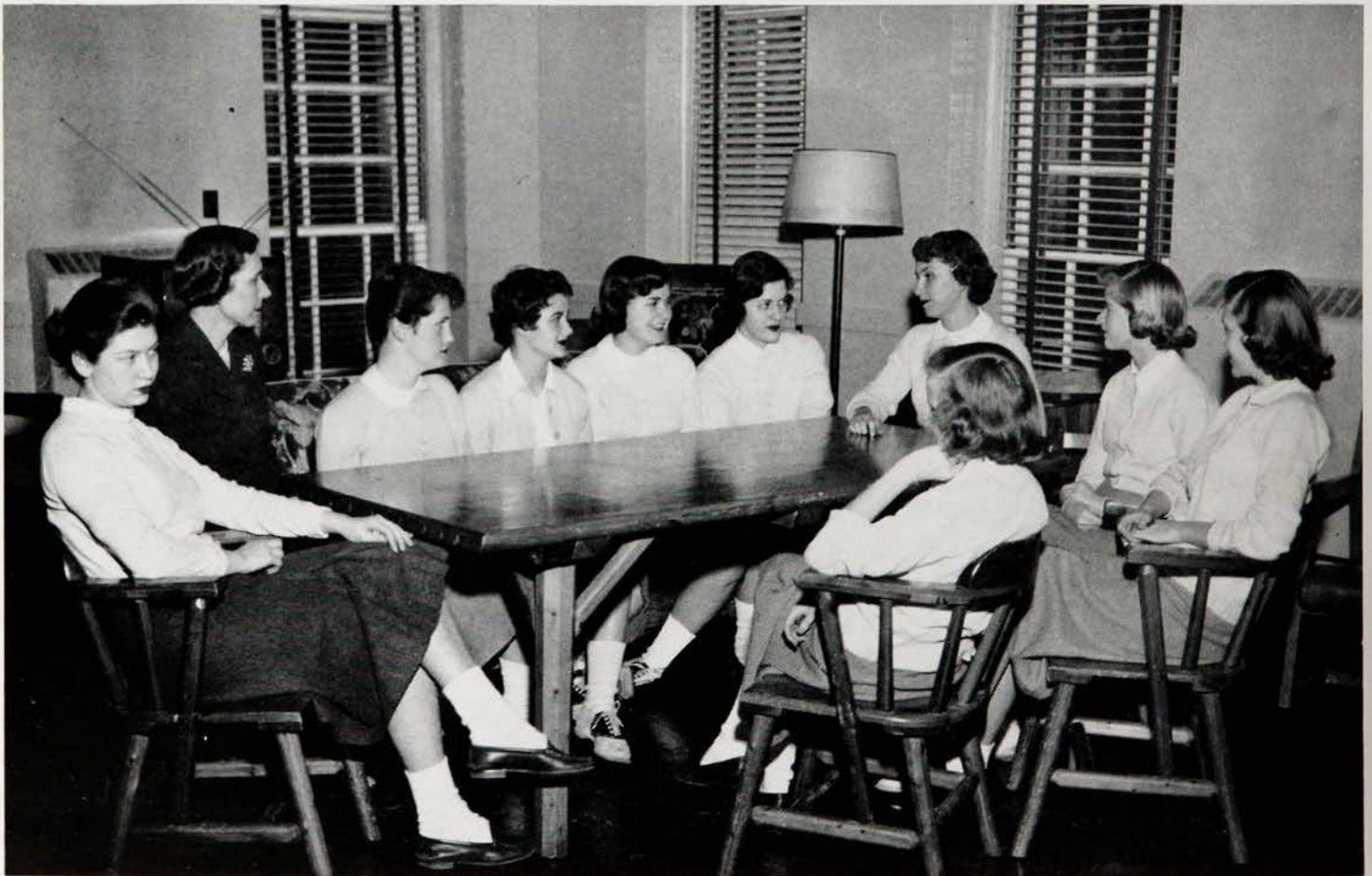
The changing years march
Some longed for dream
Yet memory will cherish
A sympathy we miss
In hours of joy or sadness
Whate'er our need
Mount Vernon, O Mother
Thy children turn

men give them."

PENN

Student Council

The Student Council is made up of the Student Body President, the Student Body Representative, class presidents, class vice-presidents, and the president of Optima. The council's main objective is to have a closer understanding of the students and their problems, and its meetings have been open to anyone wishing to express an opinion or just listen. This year the council undertook as its new project a program of eight assemblies for the purpose of introducing various women's vocations to the student body. The program was a very successful one, and indicative of what an outstanding and creative council we have had this year.



Left to right: Luz Freire, Miss Gutheim, Advisor; Amelia Johnson, Judy Lauer, Patsy Stanton, Student Body Representative; Frances Crigler, Anne Young, President; Martha Holt, Carol Hughes, Jane Evins. *Absent:* Shelley Rich, Vice-President; Ann Walker, Colette Curtenius.



HOUSE COUNCIL—*Left to right:* Carol Hammond, President; Torrey Matheson, Tiffany Wilson, Carol Hughes, Lottie Lanier, Susanne Garrison, Gail Price, Barbara Ingalls. *Absent:* Martha Holt, Jean Crawford, Hilda Hutchins.



STUDENT OFFICERS—*Left to right:* Marion Redick, Anne Young, Judy Lauer, Mary Clayton, Douglass Kellam, Shelley Rich, Frances Hummel, Carol Hammond. *Absent:* Gail Price.

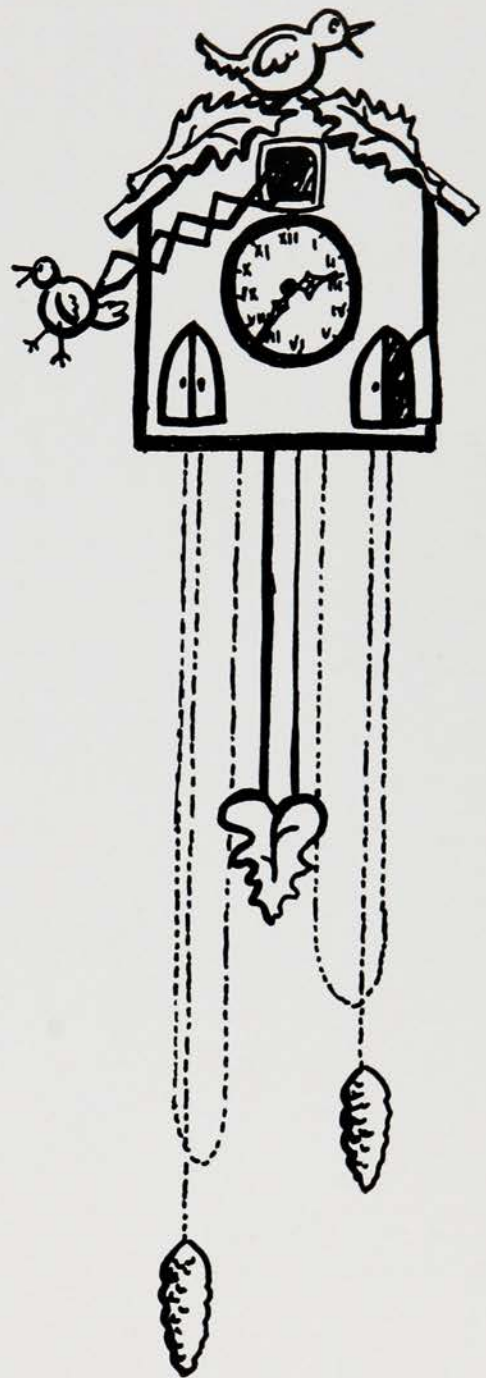


"Footprints in the



sands of time''

LONGFELLOW



Activities



"Footprints in the

Calendar

- September 14—Registration
17—Old Girl-New Girl Party
18—Great Falls Picnic
26—Sophomore party for Freshmen
- October 1—Field Day
3—Senior Class Party
15—Junior Bake Sale
Yearbook board to Columbia University Conference
16—Fall Dance
22—Williamsburg trip
28—United Nations trip
30—Hallowe'en Party
- November 5—Founder's Day
13—Senior dance, "A Night in Hawaii"
21—Christmas Book Fair and tea
24-28—Thanksgiving Vacation
- December 3—Sophomore Fashion Show
4—West Point Concert and Dance
11—Christmas Dance
13—Optima party for children from Friendship House
14—Christmas Dinner and Play
16—Merry Christmas!
- January 4—Back again!
8—College Boards
13—"Romeo and Juliet"
22-27—Midyear Exams
28-30—Midwinter Break
- February 5—Sophomore Valentine Dance
7-10—Posture Week
12—Annapolis Concert and Dance
21—Ele Fulton Night
26—Junior Carnival
- March 12—College Boards
Second Anniversary of "M Day"
31—Home for Spring
- April 12—Back to school
16—Sophomore Party
30—Spring Play
- May 7—May Day Festival
13—Junior-Senior Banquet
20—A. A. Banquet
21—College Boards
21-25—Final Exams
28—Alumnae Luncheon
Senior Class Dinner
Commencement Dance
29—Baccalaureate
Class Night
30—Yippee!!!



Left to right: Frances Crigler, Carol Hughes, Secretary-Treasurer; Sally Smethurst, Joanna Evins, Shelley Rich, President; Mrs. Lloyd, Molly Crigler, Ann Walker, Anne Young. Absent: Gail Price, Essie Stripling, Kate McDonald, Jane Evins.



Optima

To be in Optima is the greatest honor a student can obtain at Mount Vernon. Those who do achieve this goal are rewarded by a little gold pin, and a generous amount of admiration and extra privileges. In addition to Optima teas and picnics, the honor society gave a Christmas party this year for the children from Friendship House.



Chapel Guild

The Chapel Guild's aim this year was to encourage more student participation. This group has made a special effort to add interest and variety to the morning services. The brief moments of quiet we spent in Chapel every morning gave us a calm reassurance with which to start the day. Every one agrees that the Chapel Guild has done excellent work.



Left to right: Susan Tharp, Colette Curtenius, Shelby Parrish, Carol Hammond, Douglass Kellam, Chairman; Molly Crigler, Sandra Catsman. Absent: Diane Dodge.



First row, left to right: Elda Santeiro, Douglass Kellam, Julie Salas, Treasurer; Sandra Topping, Judy OudsHoff, Joan Freitag. Second row, left to right: Jean Freitag, Mary Clayton, Judy Lauer, Audrey St. George-Smith, Secretary; Marion Redick, President; Mrs. Morey, Advisor; Joan Healey. Absent: Nan Welker.



Lend-A-Hand

Lend-A-Hand, the school's charitable organization, collects clothing, toys, and supplies for war orphans. This year Lend-A-Hand sent aid through the Foster Parents' Plan to a little Polish girl named Helen. She has sent many appreciative letters thanking us and telling about her life in Germany. Ele Fulton Night, the annual variety show to raise money for the March of Dimes, was Lend-A-Hand's other project for the year.



Glee Club

The Glee Club has been very active this year in both school and out of school programs. The Christmas program with Prep Players, the concert at Forest Glen, the concert with Saint James School, vesper services on Sunday nights, the Spring Program with the ballet class, and the Baccalaureate Service constituted the Glee Club's busy schedule this year. With the promising voices in the lower forms, next year's group should be even more successful than this year's.



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Publications

With its three literary organizations, Mount Vernon offers many opportunities for those who like to write. *Cellophane*, which averages eight issues a year, keeps us informed about everything from class parties to the latest campus fashions. Our literary magazine, *Carousel*, represents Mount Vernon's best in creative writing. All four forms contribute to *Carousel*, and the Senior Class compiles and edits the material. CUPOLA, the all-important yearbook, is the result of the combined efforts of students in art, writing, and photography.



CUPOLA—Back row standing, left to right: Lucy Hight, Audrey St. George-Smith, Jane Brooks, Margery Hudson, Cynthia Hughes, Nancy Bealer, Carole Willett, June Cook, Frances Hummel, Señorita Carroll, Advisor; Gail Price, Editor-in-Chief. Second row, left to right: Judy Lauer, Mary Clayton, Amelia Johnson, Anne Trimble. Third row, left to right: Ann Walker, Art Editor; Mary deButts, Photography Editor; Leslie Crutchfield, Literary Editor; Judy Carmichael, Business Manager; Judy OudsHoff, Assistant Editor. Absent: Sally Smethurst, Marjorie Felix, Lyn McClure, Gloria Leoffler, Erica Blohm, Barbara Trunnell.



Left to right: Mrs. Barnhart, Advisor; Molly Crigler, President; Katherine Bonfoey, Carrie Lou Booth, Virginia Dorr, Jean Crawford, Secretary; Penny Smith, Elda Santeiro, Stage Manager; Mary Bernard, Linda Hall, Colette Curtenius, Lynn Meredith, Ann Bailey, Susan Tharp, Carol Hughes, Susann Schleman. Absent: Barbara Honaker, Julie Salas, Sally Smethurst, Luz Freire, Pamela Walsworth, Lynn Rosenberg.



Prep Players

Prep Players, under the able direction of Mrs. Barnhart, the new advisor, presented two plays this year. "Mid-Century Christmas" was one of the best Christmas plays that has been given on the Mount Vernon stage in several years. The delightful spring program consisted of a melodrama, "He Ain't Done Right By Nell," a barber shop quartet, skits, and dancing, all in a Gay Nineties atmosphere. It is obvious to us that our talented actresses of 1954 and 1955 are headed for success.



Library Council

Working on Library Council offers practical experience in arranging bulletin boards, shelving new books, and organizing the periodicals. The girls on Library Council are the ones who keep the library orderly for the rest of us to enjoy. Not only is this organization indispensable to the school, but it provides invaluable education for its members.



Standing, left to right: Joan Freitag, Mrs. Hutchinson, Suzanne Wells, Mary Bernard, Margaret Gwathmey, Luz Freire, Elda Santeiro, Mrs. Wood, Advisor. Sitting, left to right: Molly Doll, Jane Evins, Nan Welker, Linda Foster, Sally Gillespie, Penny Smith, Victoria Bateman, Kim Wheelock, Susann Schleman, Chairman. Absent: Julie Salas, Chartley Ward.



Left to right: Mary Clayton, President; Linda Hall, Gay Morris, Carol Best, Mrs. Strock, Advisor. Absent: Judy Carmichael.



Social League

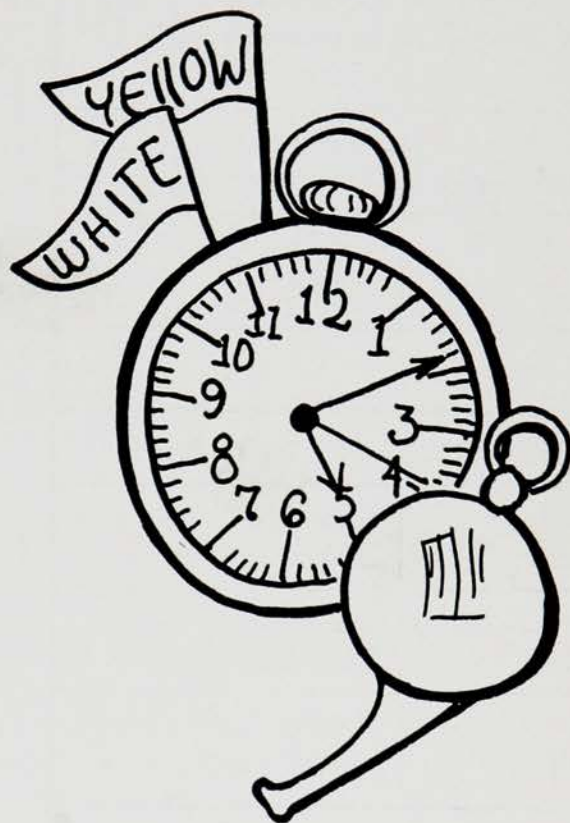
The Social League is probably the most popular organization on campus, for it is this group which is responsible for all school parties and dances. This year they have sponsored the Fall Dance, the Christmas Dance, and the Graduation Dance. Not only have we enjoyed the activities, but we have also found that planning and organizing parties has created a spirit of unity within the school.

Christmas Dance





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TIME	MONDAY	WE
2:30	Correctives Advanced Tennis Ballet, Riding	Advan Interm Riding
3:30	Hockey Beginners Tennis	Hockey Interm
4:00	Varsity Hockey	Varsity Hoc
WINTER		
TIME	MONDAY	WE
2:30	Basketball I, II Ballet, Riding	Basket Ballet,
3:15	Modern Dance Basketball III	Correc Basket
4:00	Varsity Basketball	Varsity Bask
SPRING		
TIME	MONDAY	WE
2:30	Softball Tennis Ballet, Riding	Softbal Tennis Ballet,
3:15	Softball Tennis Modern Dance	Correc Tennis
4:00	Varsity Tennis Softball	Varsity Ten. Soft

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Athletic Association Board

The A. A. Board consists of the A. A. president, vice-president, secretary, the two team captains, and a representative from each form. These girls plan Field Day and Posture Week, organize basketball intramurals, and sponsor the A. A. banquet at the end of the year. The two main duties of the board are to meet throughout the year to see that athletics are running smoothly and to help maintain enthusiastic and competitive team spirit.

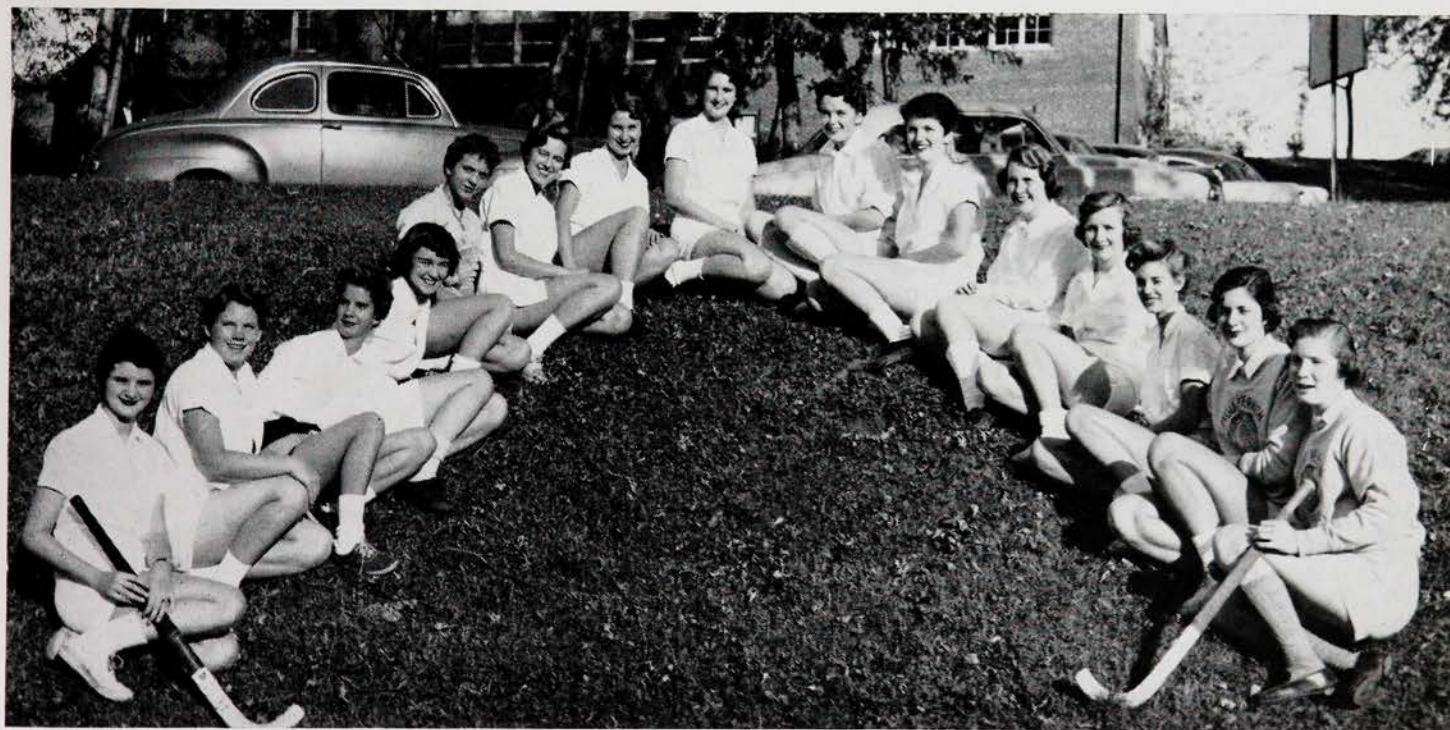


Left to right: Sally Smethurst, Joan Healey, Yellow Team Captain; Frances Hummel, President; Miss Mills, Advisor; Barbara Berry, Lottie Lamar Lanier, Leslie Crutchfield, White Team Captain. Absent: Joyce Ference, Secretary; Claudette Whitfield, Sandra Van Deventer.



YELLOW—*Left to right:* Sally Smethurst, Beverly Carter, Lyn McClure, Claudette Whitfield, Phyllis Preiser, Joyce Ference, Mary deButts, Shelby Parrish, Carol Best, Linda Hall, Ann Walker, Frances Hummel, Sandra Ussery, Kate McDonald. *Standing:* Sue White, Captain. *Absent:* Joan Healey, Sandra Van Deventer, Katharine Bonfoey.

Hockey



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YELLOW—*Left to right:* Sue White, Mary deButts, Beverly Carter, Ann Walker, Marion Redick, Frances Hummel. *Absent:* Joyce Ference, Lyn Meredith, Sandra Ussery, Ann Carter, Phyllis Prieser.



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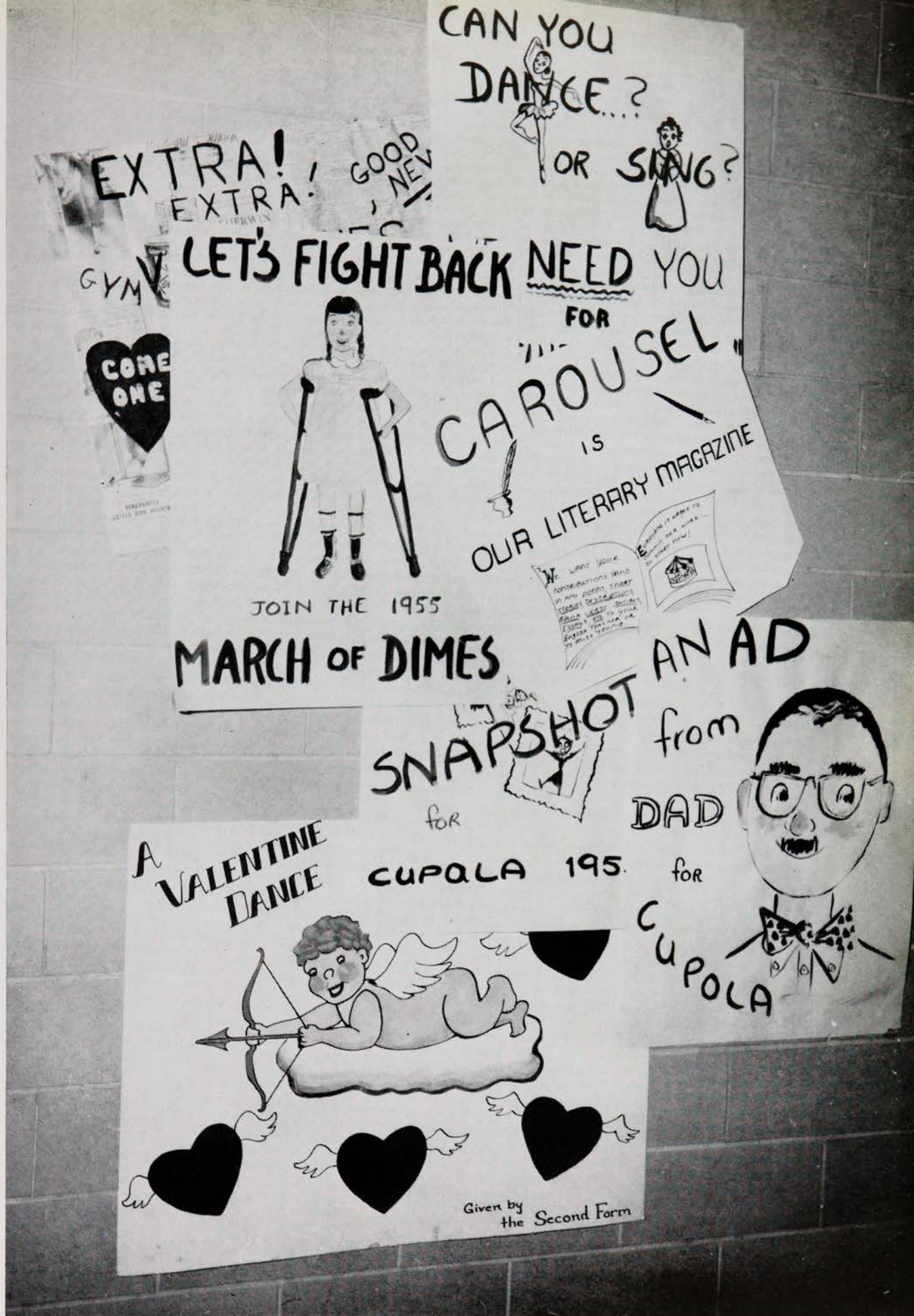
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Sports Club

Sports Club is the elite group who leave campus on Tuesdays, loaded down with skates, golf clubs, or bathing suits. This club provides fun for all students, regardless of athletic prowess, for its activities vary from bowling to archery to bicycle riding.

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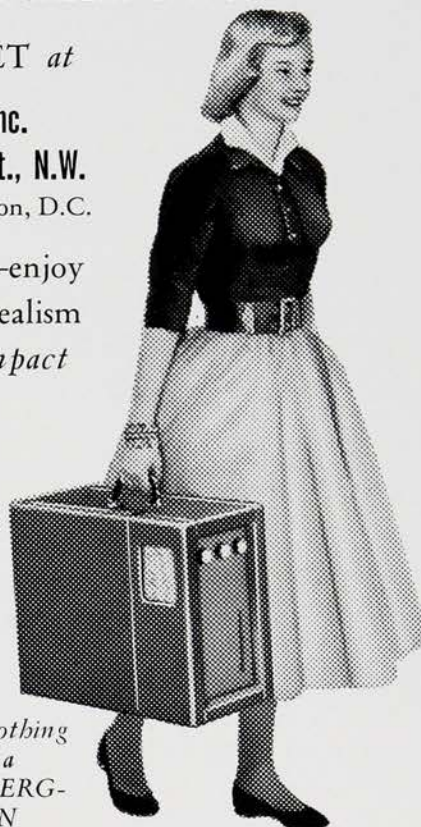
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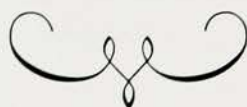
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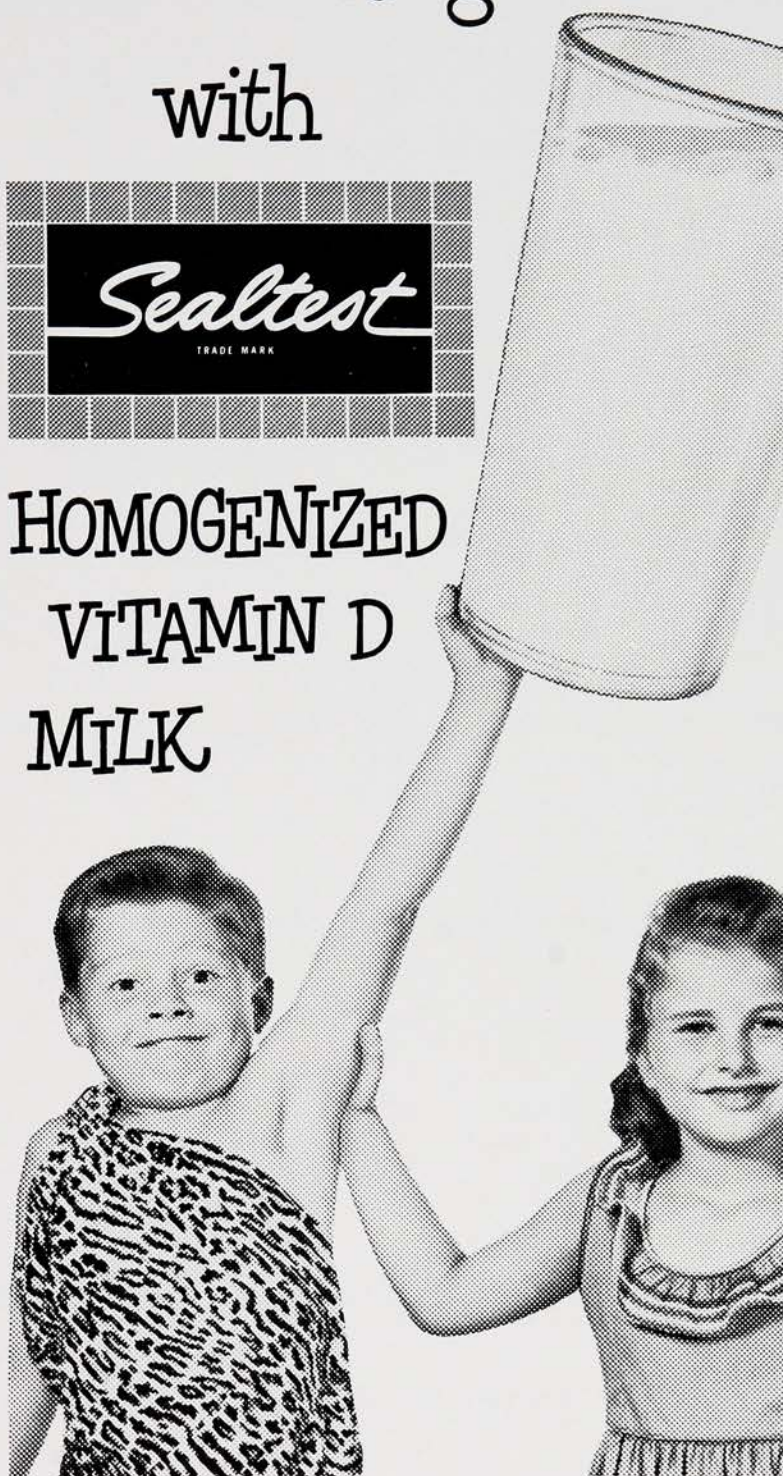
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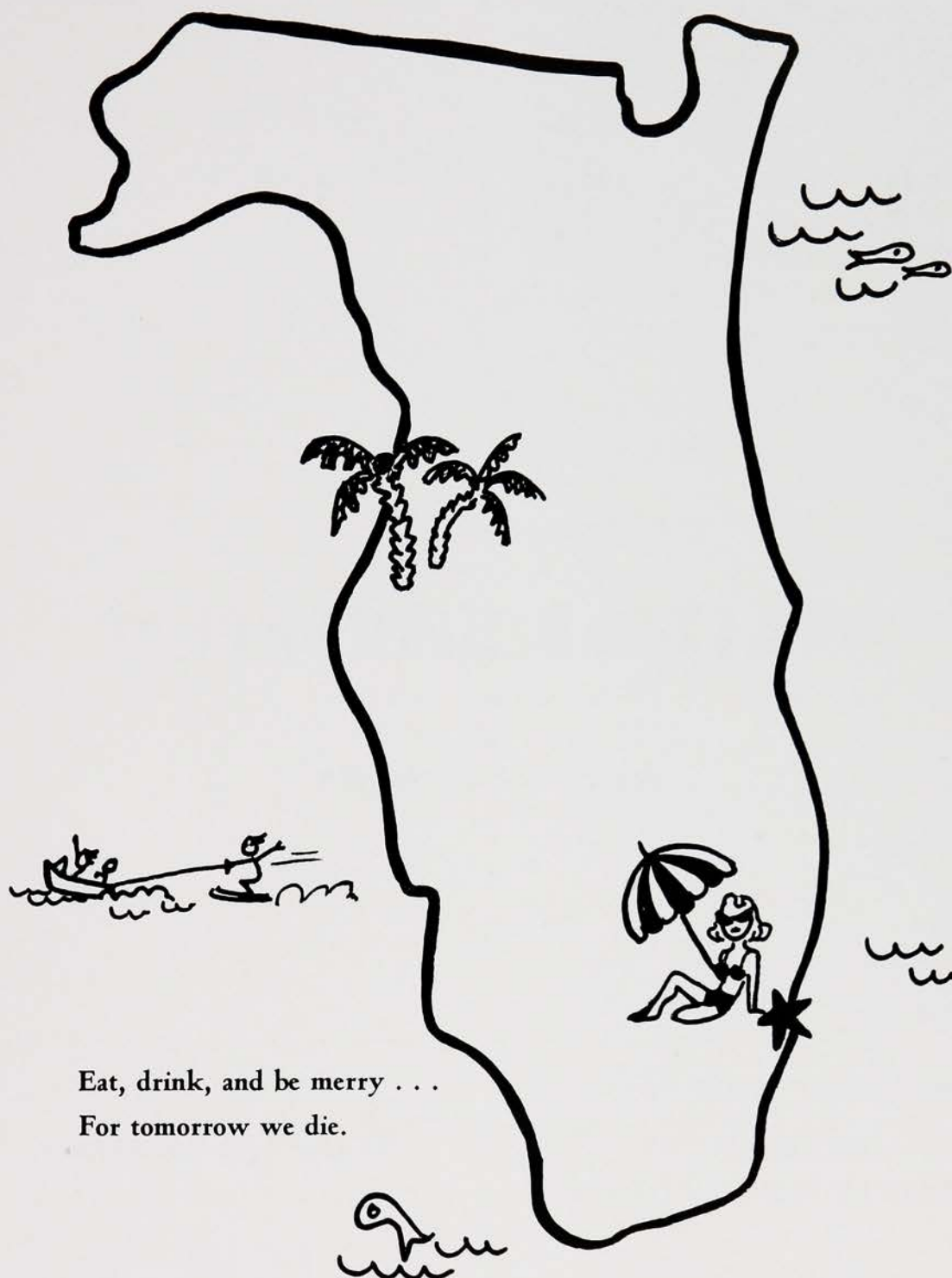
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